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## DAILY WEATHER REPORT

Cloudy, rising temperature to day. Coudy, warmer tonight with light snow. Tuesday rain, warmer.

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## ALLIED TROOPS MAKE COME-BACK AS THEY LUNGE AT NAZIS TO THE SOUTH OF ROME; SOLIDIFY THEIR POSITIONS

**Nazi Radio Admits Fifth Army Beachhead Units Have Received Substantial Reinforcements — Blows Are Struck in Both Carroceo and Cisterna Sections — Enemy Acknowledges Gains for Allies.**

By International News Service

Allied troops making a come-back on the once gravely-threatened beachhead south of Rome lunged at the Nazis today in thrusts to break up enemy preparations for further attempts to drive the British and Americans into the sea.

Axis quarters admitted that Americans and British troops in the bridgehead battle area had launched repeated attacks after solidifying their positions in the wake of furious German counter-assaults.

The Nazi radio transmitters said that the Fifth Army beachhead units had received substantial reinforcements and struck blows in both the Carroceo (Aprilia) and Cisterna sectors. The enemy claimed, however, that the Allies scored no "considerable" advances. This in itself was acknowledgement that gains had been made.

The stiffest fighting took place around Carroceo between the British and the Germans who engaged in a see-saw struggle for a factory near the village of Stracchiapani, half a mile east of Carroceo. Several times the village changed hands.

In the vicinity of hotly-contested Cisterna the Americans smashed a German attempt to pierce their lines two miles southwest of the city on the ancient Appian Way.

Bloodier fighting still raged around Cassino along the main Fifth Army front 60 miles to the south. The enemy made the struggle extremely difficult by clinging to the ages-old Mount Cassino Monastery from which they directed artillery fire into the American ranks.

Headquarters of Gen. Sir Henry Maitland Wilson permitted it to be said that the Americans, despite the wish to honor the Vatican plea that the Abbey remain unharmed, may have to adopt means to smash the Germans from the hill stronghold. The Nazi-controlled home radio asserted that Allied artillery already had begun shelling the monastery but this was not substantiated.

The Nazis on the Russian front failed to cling so tenaciously to positions threatened by the Red Army. On the northern sector of the vast front the Germans were reported in full flight along the banks of frozen Lake Peipus. Soviet cavalry and light armored units pressed at the

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### GAOLINE CATCHES FIRE

Firemen were called to the garage of Andrew Napoli, 912 Pond St., shortly before noon yesterday. A car which was being filled with gasoline pulled away from the tank while the hose was attached. The gasoline tank was pulled down and it is believed that sparks from electric wires ignited some gasoline. The blaze was soon extinguished by the firemen.

### TO PAY RESPECTS

Members of Bristol Lodge of Elks will meet tonight at eight o'clock in the Elks' home, thence go in a body to the home of their late member, Michael J. Brennan, Tullytown, to pay their respects to the memory of the deceased.

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### LOCAL WEATHER OBSERVATIONS

FOR 24 HOUR PERIOD ENDING 8 A. M.

AT ROHM & HAAS WEATHER OBSERVATORY

BRISTOL, PA.

Temperature Readings

Maximum 27 F

Minimum 14 F

Range 13 F

### Hourly Temperatures

Washington, Feb. 12.

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IT IS certainly true that if that

state of affairs should come about

all strength of administration would

be paralyzed. It has been proven

time and again that when a Presi-

dent has on his hands an unfriendly

and uncontrollable Congress, our

form of government is at its worst.

## THE GREAT GAME OF POLITICS

By FRANK R. KENT  
(Distributed by McNaught Syndicate, Inc.)

Leadership

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SHOULD HE be re-elected this

situation would be worse, not better.

For, it is conceded—that the next

House will be Republican and the

next Senate may be. The unbroken

series of Republican successes of

the past two years leaves no room

to doubt this. Mr. Roosevelt may

win the Presidency again, but the

control of Congress definitely will

be in the hands of the opposition

party. In brief, his reelection would

mean the worst possible setup for

dealing with the grave post-war

problems which loom ahead.

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P. C. Relative Humidity 81

Precipitation (inches) 0

### TIDES AT BRISTOL

High water 7:32 a. m., 7:53 p. m.

Low water 2:27 a. m., 2:48 p. m.

### Arrange Funeral Here For Michael J. Brennan

TULLYTOWN, Feb. 14—The funeral for Michael J. Brennan, 61, who died in Harriman Hospital, Bristol, on Saturday, is arranged for tomorrow at nine a. m. from the late home of the deceased. Solemn Requiem Mass will be said in St. Mark's R. C. Church at 10 o'clock, with burial in New Cathedral Cemetery, Philadelphia. The W. I. Murphy Estate, funeral directors, will be in charge. Friends may call this evening at the Brennan residence.

**JOLLY TIME IS ENJOYED;  
PARTY AT ACCARDI HOME**

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Accardi, Dorrance street, held a birthday party for their son Leonard, Jr., yesterday afternoon in honor of his sixth anniversary. Games were enjoyed and refreshments served. The decorations were red, white and blue, and favors were small yellow and blue baskets filled with candy. Leonard received many gifts.

Those present: Rose Nocito, Elaine Simpson, Marie Joan, Virginia Ann and "Jack" Rich, Madeleine Ann Rich, Edward Napoli, Jr., Anthony Napoli, Eugene Squillace, Anthony Collela, Wallace Wiesner, Lawrence Popkin, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Rich, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Simonageli, Miss Mary Napoli, Misses Jean and Pauline Accardi.

**TELLS NEWTOWN CLUB  
OF HIS EXPERIENCES**

Virgil Willey, a Merchant Mariner, addresses Exchange Club

**INTERESTING SPEECH**

YARDLEY, Feb. 14—Two young men, local residents, were injured yesterday noon while coasting at the intersection of Main street and College avenue. The injured are:

Kenneth Boss, 20, possible fracture of the skull.

Richard Jarvice, 15, fracture of the right arm.

It is not definitely determined if the two on one sled coasted into a truck, or if the truck struck them, according to the report of Pennsylvania State Police, South Langhorne barracks. Private Guillen investigated.

The truck, owned by the Starkey Farms was operated by Herbert Boettcher, 37, of Morrisville. The two young men were taken to Mercer Hospital, Trenton, N. J., by Miss Helen W. Leedom.

**HERE AND THERE IN  
BUCKS COUNTY TOWNS**

**ACTIVITIES OF INTEREST TO ALL  
IN THE VARIOUS  
COMMUNITIES**

**GLEANED BY SCRIBES**

MORRISVILLE, Pa., Feb. 14—Virgil Willey, a member of the Merchant Marine, told members of the Newtown Exchange Club at a recent meeting of his experiences and

interests.

He was the only Merchant Mariner to speak at the meeting.

Willey told that he had sometimes sailed from New York, his destination being unknown, and presumably for the Far East, inasmuch as his first port of call was the Panama Canal. His ship was a 10,000-ton Liberty freighter.

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**BOY FOR HARDY'S**

Mr. and Mrs. William Hardy, of Oxford Valley, are receiving congratulations over the birth of a son in Harriman Hospital, Friday night.

Neal Nolan is the Morrisville

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## Return To Tunisia; Writer Visits Battlefields

This is the third in a series of eleven or more articles by an International News Service staff correspondent, describing a return visit to Tunisian battlefields of a year ago. Today's article concerns Sidi Bou Zid, a village just west of Faid, where the Americans suffered defeat in the opening round of an engagement which became known as the battle of Kasserine Pass.

Yes, the Germans really cracked us here. It all started February 14.

Marshal Rommel, retreating swiftly into Tunisia ahead of the British Eighth Army had massed his 21st Panzer Division behind Faid pass. We had knocked the Germans out of the pass Dec. 3, but had lost it again later on to a superior force.

By Feb. 14, we had two infantry battalions of the 34th American Division stationed on Djebel Lessouda and Djebel Ksaira, a smaller mountain east of Sidi Bou Zid, to keep a lookout on the Faid situation.

Another early Blue Cross subscriber in the Croydon plant was Walter Hillman, president of the Labor-Management Committee, who filed out his application for himself and his wife, also employed in the plant. Hillman was one of the employees whose interest in the Blue Cross resulted in the campaign.

Thousands of American boys made their landings in Europe. Every one must have the finest equipment we can give them. Put them on the road to Berlin with **War Bonds**.

U. S. Treasury Department

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### Hunter Employees Join Hospital Plan

Approximately half of the employees in the three Hunter Manufacturing Corporation plants have enrolled in the Blue Cross Hospital plan, in the first enrollment campaign just concluded by the Associated Hospital service.

Charles E. Rinner, President of the corporation, who was one of the first to sign up, stressed the fact that enrollment in the plan was purely voluntary. "We are glad to co-operate with the Blue Cross in making this protection available to our employees and in providing a convenient way for them to make payments," he said.

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In sponsoring the campaign the Hunter Corporation joins 8000 leading firms in this area, which have made the plan available to employees. Employment Manager George Moran arranged details of the campaign with the Blue Cross, whose representatives spent several days in the plants, answering questions and helping employees to fill out applications. The Hunter Blue Cross group goes into effect February 15 and subscribers are covered for hospital expense occurring anytime after that date.

**FORMER PERKASIE MAN  
MISSING IN ACTION**

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## WANT IT THAT WAY

When it comes to amphibious invasions, Rear Admiral Richmond K. Turner knows whereof he speaks. He was in charge of amphibious operations in the successful American invasions of Guadalcanal, New Georgia and the Gilbert Islands. And he was in command of amphibious operations in connection with the successful assault on Kwajalein Atoll in the Marshall Islands.

Admiral Turner expressed pleasure surprise that the attack carried through right on schedule exactly as it had been planned. He said the Japanese undoubtedly were fooled because the American forces struck directly at Kwajalein, in the center of the Marshall Islands' rear, instead of at the eastern or southern islands.

"We didn't find as much strength there as expected," he said. "We were ready for a tough fight. If the Japs had beaten off our first landing, we had other means. We weren't going to leave the job unfinished. The Jap is a master of defensive fighting. He always has been. In this job, we just poured so much on him that he couldn't do a thing to stop us."

From all accounts of the Marshall Islands fighting, it is apparent that the Americans wreaked so much havoc with their preliminary bombardment and got so much heavy equipment, including tanks, ashore that the major Japanese resistance was crushed and American casualties were light.

"Maybe we had too many men and too many ships for this job," said Admiral Turner, "but I prefer to do things that way. It has saved many lives for us, and it should be a discouragement to Japs everywhere to know that when we hit we really hit hard and for keeps."

The American people prefer to have things done that way, too. It is good to know that for once American forces had perhaps too much of what they needed to do a big job. If the Marshall Islands job means that the days of "too little, too late" are definitely of the past, then it is indeed a happy augury of the future.

## MEET BUT DON'T MIX

Although thousands of Americans have spread into almost every corner of India, the East is still East and West still West so far as mutual understanding between the two peoples is concerned. This is the conclusion arrived at by observers during the two years American soldiers have been stationed in that country.

Some effort was made during the first few months toward closer social contacts between Indians and Americans, but these soon fizzled out. Now Americans are reported to be showing only the detached curiosity of ordinary tourists.

There is much to remind Kipling's famous lines that East and West shall never meet. Their ways are too divergent. Or, rather, while East and West are meeting because of a global war, they are not mixing, which probably is what Kipling had in mind.

## ECHOES OF THE PAST

By Courier Staff Member

Review of the news as it appeared in the Bucks County Gazette issue dated at Bristol August 16, 1882. The Gazette, a weekly newspaper published in Bristol, was discontinued following its merger with the Courier.

Sunday was a busy day for theerry boat, she brought over a large number of teams belonging to persons from our neighboring state, on their way to the spiritualist camp meeting. The large number of teams and persons who came over was unexampled for Sunday traffic.

The Social Five, or what remains of them, are encamped along the river near Bordentown, and the wonderful catchfish stories of that region.

The court appointed a jury last Tuesday to appraise the damages sustained by the Rogers Brothers occasioned by the Pennsylvania Railroad Co. taking their property on the south side of Mill street. The jury consists of George W. Cunningham, Frederick T. Linton, or Newtown Township; Thomas J. Jauney, Legrand Leav, Malch White of Middletown Township; Jesse G. Webster and John Johnson of Hulmeville. They meet on the 6th of December. Another jury will be appointed hereafter to appraise the damages to the Rogers brothers' property on the north side of the street.

The prize fight epidemic has undoubtedly reached Bristol. Last Saturday and Sunday were the

days that the contestants picked out upon which to settle their disputes. The one on Sunday was quite interesting and exciting. A party left Jeffries' cigar store, and proceeded to the battle field, down on Purcell's wharf. After fighting for some minutes, a crowd convened to gather, and the fighters began climbing fences which they had until J. M. Callahan's yard was reached, where they had the battle out...

The Independent Literary Society, an ancient organization composed of residents of Bucks county and of the old Byberry township in the 23rd ward yesterday held a bi-centennial celebration at Nechemahy Falls Grove, at which several interesting addresses were delivered. The celebration was largely attended, and the spirit and nature of its order of exercises, which consisted of recitations and orations, interspersed with musical selections, excited much interest, even in those unacquainted with the characters and objects of the society. Prominent among the speakers was Hon. George Lear, chairman of the first Harrisburg Republican Convention

of 1882, who delivered an address

on a topic previously assigned to him by the committee of arrangements of the association. The sub-

ject of the discourse was: "The Legal and Political Maxims of William Penn as viewed in the Light of the Present." Other speeches which were features of the occasion were those of William Meredith, of the Philadelphia bar, and Lendrum B. Ridge of Bucks County.

Following items culled from Bucks County Gazette, issue of August 17, 1882.

The frame building at the Mill street crossing, owned by Rogers Brothers, has been demolished to make room for the additional tracks of the Pennsylvania Railroad.

E. G. Harrison, Esq., of Hulmeville, has been elected treasurer of the Point Pleasant Land Improvement Association.

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BUT IT IS argued the same thing may happen to a Republican President. Should either Mr. Wilkie or Mr. Dewey be elected the "Old Guard" politicians may retain control of the party organization and thus neither Mr. Wilkie nor Mr. Dewey as President could establish the necessary leadership in Congress. This, it is held, would cancel out one of the strong reasons for not re-electing Mr. Roosevelt, of which there are a good many. That is the argument. Conceding its sincerity it nonetheless seems completely unsound. What it wholly overlooks is the great basic political potency of the Federal patronage among politicians of all breeds, kinds and classes.

Langhorne: Mrs. Wilmer Read.

Newportville: Mrs. C. N. Ingraham, ph. Bristol 7012.

Tullytown: Mrs. C. A. Johnson, ph. Bristol 7511.

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IT JUST has been to be everlasting-true that any newly elected President is always able to establish leadership in a Congress where his own party dominates. Every first-term President has a "honeymoon" during which Congress is relatively docile and supporting. This period lasts while he has the Federal favors to distribute — and distributes them judiciously in the right places and to the right people. During that time it is no trick at all for a President to get what he has fallen.

"This is a good photo," he said, after a moment. "I'd like to have it just to study. Have you a duplicate?"

"Sure. Keep it."

"Thanks," said Tony, and slipped it into his pocket and scrutinized the jamb just opposite the door.

"Sure," said Duffy wearily. "I haven't overlooked anything like that since the Sainsbury case."

In the Sainsbury case a girl had

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## If You Have News We Want To Know It

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Residents of the communities suburban to Bristol are invited to present items of news to the various correspondents for publication in The Bristol Courier.

The said correspondents and their telephone numbers are here listed for convenience of the public:

Andalusia: Mrs. Harry Oliver, ph. Cornwells 6333.

Croydon: Mrs. George Sperling, ph. Bristol 2663; Mrs. Harry Frederick, ph. Bristol 7381; Mrs. Timothy Coyne, ph. Bristol 7243.

Cornwells Heights: Mrs. Harry Minster, ph. Cornwells 6344-M; Mrs. Frank Escher, ph. Corn. 0233.

Cornwells Manor and Echo Beach: Mrs. James Drumm, ph. Cornwells 0487-W.

Edgely: Mrs. D. Winfield Read, ph. Bristol 2644.

Emilie: Miss Martha Prael.

Hulmeville: Miss Elma E. Haefer, ph. Hulmeville 6521; Mrs. Earl Phipps, ph. Hulmeville 6628.

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creased the number of Federal jobholders and the Federal favors, which he had to hand out, were great beyond all precedent. Now the money and the jobs have about been exhausted. The trend, except for war purposes, is strongly toward economy and reduction. As a result, Mr. Roosevelt cannot hold his own people in line. His re-election will not regain him control. It will accentuate his loss.

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ON THE other hand, a Republican President coming in next January and sweeping out the hordes of New Dealers who have been entrenched for twelve years, will have almost countless jobs to distribute to party leaders who have been literally starved for twelve years. Anyone who does not think that will be enough to establish leadership does not know the facts of political life. It may seem sordid but it is patronage upon which Presidential leadership in Congress really rests. Without it, no President is a party leader; with it any President can be one. Patronage is the thing upon which the party politician lives and thrives. Except in rare cases, he sticks to the man who has it as long as he has it—but not longer.

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TO SUM up, the facts are these—If Mr. Roosevelt is reelected he will not be able to lead Congress because he is bound to have a hostile Congress. He has that kind now and his leadership has been lost.

The new Congress would be more hostile. No practical politician in either party doubts that. However a Republican President cannot fail to establish leadership for at least two years—and if the 1946 election does not change the House majority—for four years. It does seem therefore that those who believe the interests of the country demand a President who can get the

support of Congress must hope for a Republican President. For, that is the only possible way to get it.

PENN LINE—The nation lost what it believed to be the last of its old-time cheesemakers with the death of 82-year-old Herb Platt, a one-time employee of the Penn Line factory of the former Leon C. Magaw cheese concern. Platt was reported to be one of the greatest cheesemakers in the country.

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Why Take Chances?

## Name Hostesses for Group Planning Red Cross Work

The women of the Rohm & Haas Social Club will meet Wednesday evening in the Red Cross rooms, Mill street, at eight o'clock, to do Red Cross work.

The hostesses of the evening will be Mrs. Clarence Moyer, Mrs. Edna Sharkey, Mrs. Sidney Longbottom and Mrs. Orville Pierson.

### In a Personal Way - - -

INTERESTING items of news mainly about people you know. A chronicle of the activities of the people of Bristol; their goings and comings, - - -

To arrange for publication of news, telephone The Bristol Courier, Bristol 8-186, notifying at least a few days in advance the name of the person.

Engagement announcements must be submitted in writing.

Mrs. Minnie B. Wainwright, who resided at Bath and Ford Roads, has moved to Cedar street.

Mrs. H. E. Billington, Chicago, Ill., who spent eight weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Lorimer, Croydon Manor, and visited friends in Bristol, has left for Dayton, O., to join her husband, Major Billington, who is stationed there.

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Cpl. James Hopkins, Richmond, Va., has been visiting his parents at Maple Beach.

John O'Brien, S. 2/c, Sampson, N. Y., is spending 21 days' leave with his wife and daughter on Locust street.

Mrs. and Mrs. William Gamble, Roxborough, were Thursday and Friday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Moss Shatzler, Buckley street.

Mrs. Gildsort, Trenton, N. J., spent a day during the past week with Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Giagnocova, Wood and Lafayette streets.

Wilbur Grimes, F. 1/c, has returned to Richmond, Va., after spending several days with his family on Cedar street.

Dominick Pappaterra, Lafayette street, is a patient in St. Francis Hospital, Trenton, N. J., where he was operated upon.

Miss Grace Williams, who was a patient in Hahnemann Hospital, Philadelphia, where she was operated upon for appendicitis, has returned to her home on Market street.

Mrs. Francis Delia, Garden street, who received treatment in Hahnemann Hospital, Philadelphia, for

### Pimples Disappeared Over Night

Yes, it is true, there is a safe, harmless medicated liquid called Klearex that dries up pimples over night. Just apply a few drops to each pimple, face one night and surprise your friends the next day with a clear complexion. There is no risk. The first application must convince you of your good fortune. Klearex. Only 50¢. Join the happy Klearex users who are no longer embarrassed with unsightly pimples. Sold and recommended by United Pharmacy, 234 Main St., Bristol. (Advertisement)

### Today's Quiet Moment

(By the Rev. James R. Galley)

Pastor

Bristol Presbyterian Church

Eternal Father, we thank Thee that we can look unto Thee, the Author and the Finisher of our faith, and speak unto Thee the needs of our lives and the desires of our hearts. We know now utterly helpless we are without Thee, and how hopeless is the future without the realization of Thy blessing. Look down upon us in love, O Father, and give us that strength of heart and mind and body which we need for successful living and glorious attaining of Thy Will. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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